UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

ANTHONY L	EROY CAGE, JR,	
	Petitioner,	Case No. 1:08cv676
V.		Hon. Robert J. Jonker
BLAINE C. L	AFLET,	
	Respondent.	

ORDER AND JUDGMENT APPROVING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

The court has reviewed the Report and Recommendation filed by the United States Magistrate Judge in this action. The Report and Recommendation was duly served on the parties on December 3, 2008. No objections have been filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C).

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, filed December 3, 2008, is approved and adopted as the opinion of the court.

IT IS ORDERED that the amended habeas corpus petition is **DISMISSED** pursuant to Rule 4, because Petitioner fails to raise a meritorious federal claim.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a certificate of appealability is **DENIED**. *See Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473 (2000).

/s/ Robert J. Jonker ROBERT J. JONKER UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATED: January 14, 2009.